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**DEFENDANT SENTENCED FOR INCOME TAX EVASION**

Tampa, FL - United States District Court Judge Susan C. Bucklew today sentenced JEVON ESTES to a sentence of 15 months' imprisonment, to be followed by a term of 3 years of supervised release. ESTES pled guilty on August 10, 2006 to one count of income tax evasion.

According to court documents, ESTES received substantial sums of income during tax years 1998 through 2001 and failed to report that income on income tax returns. He concealed that income in a number of ways, including diverting the income into the account of a defunct nominee entity. ESTES also failed to file any tax returns in those tax years. During tax years 1998 through 2001, ESTES evaded the payment of approximately \$ 390,523.00 in taxes due and owing to the United States.

The case was investigated by the Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation Division. It was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Jay L. Hoffer of the Tampa Division.